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ACTION SCCT-01

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FM AMCONSUL ASMARA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC FLASH 3426

INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY LONDON IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO IMMEDIATE

CINCUSNAVEUR LONDON IMMEDIATE

COMNAVTELCOM WASHDC IMMEDIATE

USCINCEUR VAIHINGEN IMMEDIATE

COMIDEASTFOR IMMEDIATE

NAVCOMMUNIT ASMARA IMMEDIATE

NAVCOMMSTA NEA MAKRI IMMEDIATE

C O N F I D E N T I A L ASMARA 0584

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, PINT, ET

SUBJECT: ERITREA - TWO AMERICANS TAKEN HOSTAGE

1. AT 1100 HOURS LOCAL, ARMED INSURGENTS (REPORTEDLY PLF) ENTERED TRACT D (KAGNEW TRANSMITTER SITE) ABOUT 12 KLMS OUTSIDE ASMARA) AND SIEZED TWO AMERICAN CISCO EMPLOYEES, STEVE CAMPBELL AND JIM HARREL, AS WELL AS THREE ETHIOPIAN EMPLOYEES. INFORMATION ON INSURGENT ACTION PROVIDED BY REMAINING ETHIOPIAN EMPLOYEE. THEY CUT TELEPHONE LINES AND DISCONNECTED RADIO THEN DEPARTED WITH HOSTAGES IN SIEZED TRUCK IN DIRECTION OF ASMARA. THEY LEFT NO RPT NO MESSAGE.

2. I HAVE NOTIFIED BG GETACHEW NADEW, MARTIAL LAW ADMINISTRATOR
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FOR ERITREA AND REQUESTED ASSISTANCE IN LOCATING AMERICANS.

I CAUTIONED HIM AGAINST ANY PRECIPITOUS ACTION THAT COULD ENDANGER
THEIR LIVES. WILL REPORT FURTHER AS SITUATION DEVELOPS.
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